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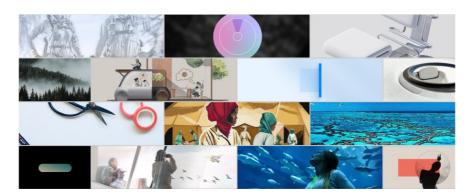
#### Dear alumni,

You're now reading the first few lines of the inaugural 'UID Alumni Newsletter'. Our hope going forward is that this newsletter will serve as a way for you, our vast alumni family, to catch up with all things UID.

Twice a year, you'll get an opportunity to, for example, relive our degree show, receive updates from our global alumni network, get to know new staff members, follow the latest design research developments, explore student projects, and much more. If you haven't signed up yet, please do so below!

Demian Horst, Head of Institute

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### **Explore the UID23 | Project Gallery**

The all-access UID23 | Project Gallery gives visitors an exclusive first-hand look at each student's singular design vision.

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# Dancing smart homes and personalised diets at UID23

On May 30th, an international crop of young designers revealed 30-plus design concepts to the world.

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### Kimberley Beauprez talks about 'Carefree in 2060'

Kimberley Beauprez, MFA IxD graduate, looked into whether pension savings could conjure hopes and dreams, rather than anxiety.

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## Empowering youth with respiratory illness

Yuchen Lan, MFA APD graduate, designed an inspirational training kit for young people suffering from cystic fibrosis.

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#### The boreal forest moves inside the Arts Campus

The vast, withering plant wall at the heart of the Arts Campus has been reborn. Pioneered by students, a new initiative was launched in early spring with the aim of reconnecting visitors to the regional flora.

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### From render to reality – grad project hits the market

Fanny Jonsson's all-terrain farmers' EV is becoming reality. The design envisions an autonomous ATV built to respect biodiversity and agricultural challenges for delicate ecosystems.

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## UID claims top spot in Red Dot Ranking

For the seventh year running, Umeå Institute of Design at Umeå University takes top position on the Red Dot Design Ranking, listing top design educations in the Americas and Europe.

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#### 'DCODE Summer School' ignites excitement

For an exhilarating few days, PhD's from across Europe ascended on Umeå as the DCODE Summer School on 'Democratic Data Governance' took siege of the project studio at the heart of the school.

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#### Sustainability through the kaleidoscope

What does actual sustainable design look like? UID's two new professors in design for sustainability, Danielle Wilde and Cindy Kohtala, paint a kaleidoscopic picture, focusing on bottom-up movements and the inclusion of marginalized voices, rather than silver bullet solutions.

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